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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MARR PFOR GR US
SUBJ: US-GREEK DEFENSE COOPERATION DISCUSSIONS

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(DTG 132240Z MAY 77); C. ATHENS 4520(DTG 131435Z MAY 77);
D. LONDON 7972(DTG 131715Z MAY 77)(NOTAL)

1.I AND MY NEGOTIATING COLLEAGUES GREATLY APPRECIATE REFTEL
A COMMENDATION.

2. WE AGREE THAT WE ARE FAST APPROACHING THE ATTAINMENT OF OUR
OBJECTIVES REGARDING THE FIVE MORE TECHNICAL ISSUES AND THAT A
BRIEF PAUSE THEREAFTER WOULD BE APPROPRIATE. THERE ARE SOME
LAST POINTS TO WRAP UP (FOR WHICH YOUR CONTINUED PROMPT
AND HELPFUL RESPONSIVENESS IS NEEDED), BUT WE CAN SEE THE TIME
TO PAUSE ARRIVING AS EARLY AS WEDNESDAY, MAY 18.

3. A SHORT RECESS COULD BE WELL-USED IN OBTAINING
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AUTHORITY TO RECONFIRM THE AIRBORNE RECONNAISSANCE
ASSISTANCE COMMITMENT AND IN PREPARING FORMAL POSITIONS ON
PARITY IN PROCUREMENT(REFTEL B), TELECOMMUNICATIONS
(REFTEL C), AND THE REST OF TZOUNIS' "SERIES OF FINANCIAL
QUESTIONS"(REFTEL D).

4. THE GREEKS HAVE INDICATED THEY WOULD FIND A BRIEF PAUSE,

AND POSSIBLE EARLY RESUMPTION IN WASHINGTON, VERY ATTRACTIVE.

5. FOREGOING IS PROVISIONAL RESPONSE TO REFTEL A, AND I
SHALL SEND A FURTHER MESSAGE ON THIS SUBJECT EARLY NEXT WEEK
AFTER REVIEWING DEVELOPMENTS OF THE NEXT SEVERAL DAYS. KUBISCH

NOTE BY OC/T: NOT PASSED.

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